

respect to whatever it was that brought them into the toils of the law to begin with, there will be fines imposed and those fines will obviously get paid. This is a very sensible approach to law enforcement of items that you and I know need to be enforced and it's also a sensible approach to reducing the level of "skofflawism" that exists in this arena.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Higgins, please.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr. President. I'd just like to ask Senator Johnson a question. I've been looking for a highway patrolman to see if they would know and, Senator Johnson, I'm not putting you on the spot. If you don't know, I don't blame you because I can't remember either. But when you're given a citation by the highway patrol or your local police, say in Omaha, does it say on there, failure to appear will be automatic revocation of your license, or does it say you will be arrested?

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: I believe it says you will be arrested because it is not automatic revocation of your license right now.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Not to appear.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: (Response inaudible.)

SENATOR HIGGINS: Okay, thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Chambers, would you like to close, please. Your light is on. I assume it's closing.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes. Members of the Legislature, we're talking at this point about enforcement. We're talking about enforcement. An offense has occurred in the mind of a traffic officer and he or she has issued a ticket. That ends the officer's responsibility with reference to that aspect of the transaction. The ticket stands for an arrest. When you receive the ticket you are under arrest at that point. The ticket that you sign allows you to be released but you were placed under an arrest. You at that point are in the clutches of the law. The ticket will tell you when you are to appear and where. The first time you appear is for an arraignment. That means you go there to say whether you're innocent or guilty. If you plead innocent or not